Simhadri Power Project in A.P.

3276. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Simhadri Thermal Power Project has been commissioned;

(b) if so, by when all the units of the project are likely to be operational;

(c) what will be the maximum power generation capacity of the plant and when it is likely to be achieved;

(d) whether the entire power will be given to Andhra Pradesh or it will be shared by other States; and

(e) the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Simhadri Thermal Power Project comprises two units of 500 MW each. The 1st unit (500 MW) has been commissioned in February, 2002. The 2nd unit is scheduled for commissioning by December, 2002.

(c) the maximum power generation capacity of the plant is 1000 MW which is likely to be achieved by December, 2002.

(d) and (e) The entire power to be generated from the plant is to be given to Andhra Pradesh.

Parnai Power Project in J and K

3277. MIRZA ABDUL RASHID: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the approved/sanctioned Parnai Power Project in J and K has been under execution for some time;

(b) if so, the amount earmarked for the Centre and State, separately and the company who has undertaken its construction; and

(c) how much amount is proposed to be spent on this project and by when this project will be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The Parnai Hydro-electric Project in Jammu and Kashmir was cleared by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in December, 1992 for an estimated cost of Rs. 177.93 crores (comprising civil works of Rs. 85.71 crores, electrical works for Rs. 57.29 crores and IDC of Rs. 34.93 crores) at January, 1992 price level for its execution under the State sector. The scheme is yet to get receive environment clearance from the Ministry of Environment and Forests whereafter it would be considered for investment sanction by the Planning Commission.

Integrated Power Policy

3278. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering an integrated power/energy policy for the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not taking to a long term integrated power policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) An Energy Policy Committee has been set up in the Planning Commission to recommend an outline of the Energy Policy for the next 15-20 years. The Committee is chaired by the Member (Energy), Planning Commission and the other members include Secretaries to the Government of India in Ministries of Power, Coal, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Non-Conventional Energy Sources, Environment and Forests and Department of Atomic Energy. Experts from Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Tata Energy Research Institute etc. are also associated in the Committee.

Installation of New Transformer in Pandit Ka Purwa at Sultanpur in U.P.

3279. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that consumers of village Pandit Ka Purwa, Chamurkha under Galibaha Sub-Station in Sultanpur district of U.P., are